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Tuberculosis remains a global health threat of epidemic proportions. After AIDS, tuberculosis (TB) is the leading cause of infectious disease mortality in the world, with two to three million deaths per year.

World TB Day commemorates the announcement of the discovery of the TB bacillus (*Mycobacterium tuberculosis*) to a group of physicians in Berlin, Germany, by Dr. Robert Koch on March 24, 1882. Additionally, World TB Day provides an opportunity to acknowledge the impact of this disease on the local and global level and promotes awareness of efforts to control and eliminate this deadly disease.

The theme for 2005 World TB Day in Los Angeles County, "Partnering to Protect the Public," recognizes that the efforts to control and eliminate TB must be a shared undertaking among our health officials, the general public, and the medical community of Los Angeles County.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors join the World Health Organization in proclaiming March 24, 2005 as World TB Day and urge all citizens, healthcare organizations, and community coalitions throughout the County to join in this effort to prevent and eliminate TB.

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